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ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 051626-5011

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 2097
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Masatomo YAMADA)	Group Art Unit: 2852
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Application No.: 10/784,832)	Examiner: R. Walsh
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Filed: February 24, 2004)	
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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS)	

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Mail Stop Amendment
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT
TRANSMITTAL FORM

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response to Election Requirement responding to the Office Action dated September 2, 2005.
2. Additional papers enclosed:
 - ☒ Submission of Replacement Formal Drawings
 - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☐ Drawings: Formal Informal (Correction)
 - ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
 - ☐ Form PTO-1449, ____ references included
 - ☐ Citations
 - ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
 - ☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

3. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months Requested	Fee for Extension	[Fee for Small Entity]
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,590.00	\$ 795.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$_____.

☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

4. Constructive Petition

☒ EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

5. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	30	minus	30	0	x \$50 each=	+ \$0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	7	minus	7	0	x \$200 each=	+ \$0.00
[] First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s)					\$360.00	+ \$
SUB-TOTAL =						\$0.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						- \$
TOTAL FEE =						\$0.00

6. Fee Payment

- ☒ No fee is to be paid at this time.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.

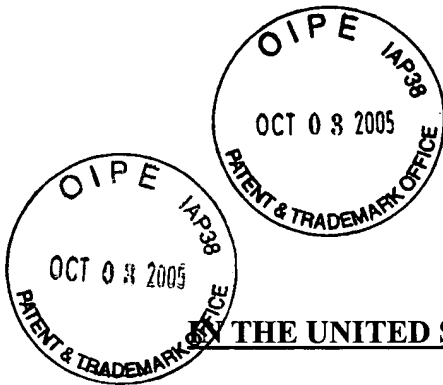
Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Office Action/Election Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 2, 2005, the period for response to which extends through October 3, 2005 (October 2, 2005 falls on a Sunday), please amend the above-identified application as follows: